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Applicant: Hiroshi Kondo et al.  
 Serial No.: 09/723,768  
 Conf. No.: 6836  
 Filed: 11/28/2000  
 For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR  
 PREVENTING AN ERRONEOUS  
 OPERATION AT THE TIME OF  
 DETECTION OF A SYSTEM  
 FAILURE  
 Art Unit: 2113  
 Examiner: Puente, Emerson C.

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as FIRST-CLASS mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this date.

January 13, 2006  
 Date

*[Signature]*  
 Registration No. 41,895  
 Attorney for Applicant(s)

Mail Stop Amendment  
 Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication regarding the above-identified application.

Fee Calculation For Claims As Amended

	As Amended	Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	22	36	= 0	x \$50.00	= \$ 00.00
Independent Claims	10	16	= 0	x \$200.00	= \$ 00.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims				\$360.00	= \$ 00.00
				Total Additional Fee	\$ 00.00
				Small Entity Fee (reduced by half)	\$ 00.00

(X) Amendment E.

( ) A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is attached.

( ) Petition for Extension of Time (in duplicate), with check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

( ) Charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 07-2069.

(X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

GREER, BURNS & CRAIN, LTD.

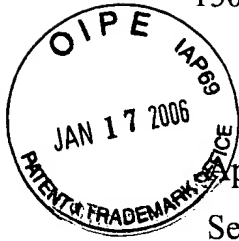
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PATENT APPLICATION




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AMENDMENT E

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 1, 2005, please amend the application as follows: